

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

CORNEL WEST AND MELINA	:	
ABDULLAH, GERALDINE TUNSTALLE,	:	
KATHERINE HOPKINS-BOT, AND	:	
CHARLES HIER,	:	
		Plaintiffs, :
	:	
v.	:	No. 2:24-cv-01349
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PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF	:	
STATE AND AL SCHMIDT, IN HIS	:	
CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF THE	:	
COMMONWEALTH,	:	
		Defendants. :

**AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW L. HOKE
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

I, Matthew L. Hoke, Esquire, make this affidavit in support of the motion for my admission to appear and practice in this Court in the above-captioned matter as counsel *pro hac vice* for Plaintiffs in the above-captioned matter pursuant to LCvR 83.2 and LCvR 83.3 and this Court's Standing Order regarding *Pro Hac Vice* Admissions dated May 31, 2006 (Misc. No. 06-151).

I, Matthew L. Hoke, Esquire, being duly sworn, do hereby depose and say as follows:

1. I am an attorney with the law firm of McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC.
2. My business address is 100 Pine Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101.
3. I am a member in good standing of the bar[s] of Pennsylvania.
4. My Pennsylvania State Bar number is 331634.
5. A current certificate of good standing from the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is attached to this affidavit as Exhibit A.

6. I have not been subject to previous disciplinary proceedings concerning my practice of law that resulted in a non-confidential negative finding or sanction by the disciplinary authority of the bar of any state or any United States court.
7. I attest that I am a registered user of ECF in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.
8. I attest that I have read, know and understand the Local Rules of Court for the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.
9. Based upon the foregoing, I respectfully request that I be granted *pro hac vice* admission in this matter.

I certify and attest that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are false, I am subject to punishment.

Respectfully submitted,

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